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1. Discussed with Mr. William McCandless, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget for Budget Review, the problem of the location of the appropriation request for the CIA building. A memorandum has been sent to DD/S on this subject, the conclusion of which is that we should not now appeal the assignment of our building appropriation as an Independent Offices request, but that we should exercise extreme care, with the cooperation of the Budget Bureau, in seeing to it that this item is referred to the Armed Services Subcommittee when it is forwarded to the Congress.

2. Reviewed career service legislation with General Counsel and Deputy General Counsel. Certain technical changes were agreed to, and the legislation and supporting documentation will be completed over the weekend for submission to the Bureau of the Budget the beginning of next week. The IG is requested to check with the Director, if necessary, to ascertain his position as to how many retired military officers should be eligible for employment under the revised legislation.

3. Visited Cong. Olin Teague (D., Tex.) and received baggage checks from him for a Soviet propaganda film on agriculture which he has borrowed from the Soviet Embassy. This film has been turned over to [redacted] and [redacted] for appropriate action, and a screening is to be arranged early next week for interested offices in the Agency. Cong. Teague has requested any Agency reactions as to the value of this film, which he personally feels is a pretty effective piece of propaganda.

4. Mr. Pforzheimer and Mr. Paul met with a Mr. John Dinse of Vermont, counsel for [redacted] widow of an ECA employee killed in Vienna in 1948. This meeting was arranged through the office of Cong. Prouty (R., Vt.). Mr. Dinse has just completed filing an appeal before the Appeal Board of BEC, and the ostensible reason for his visit here was to ask if this Agency had any objection to [redacted] release of certain facts in this case as she knows them. Apparently Mr. Dinse assumes that the appeal will be turned down. Mr. Pforzheimer indicated that although we were in no position to advise a private citizen as to what they could or could not do, we would think it a normal courtesy to check out with the Department of the Army before any article or other story was released.

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